Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the present patent application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A mobile handset keypad comprising an array of keys positioned on a surface of a mobile housing for user interface with the mobile, said array of keys comprising:

a plurality of alphanumeric keys that operate in an alphanumeric mode; ~~at least one alphanumeric key;~~

a navigation scheme having at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key configured to navigate through a plurality of menus in a navigation mode; and

at least one illumination source proximate to the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key, the at least one illumination source configured to distinguish between the alphanumeric mode and the navigation scheme by illuminating ~~illuminate based on~~ the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key being in the ~~one of a~~ navigation mode ~~and an alphanumeric mode~~.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The mobile keypad of claim 1 further comprising a toggle key for toggling between the alphanumeric and the navigation mode.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The mobile keypad of claim 1 wherein said ~~wherein the~~ at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key automatically toggles between the alphanumeric and the navigation mode based upon data input during user interface.

Claim 4 (original): The mobile keypad of claim 1 wherein said at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key comprises:

a first integral navigation and alphanumeric key comprising an up navigation function and an alphanumeric function;

a second integral navigation and alphanumeric key comprising a down navigation function and an alphanumeric function;

a third integral navigation and alphanumeric key comprising a right navigation function and an alphanumeric function;

a fourth integral navigation and alphanumeric key comprising a left navigation function and an alphanumeric function.

Claim 5 (cancelled).

Claim 6 (currently amended): A mobile handset comprising:

a microprocessor and menu display including software routines for creating and displaying a menu;

a housing including a front face with openings for touch keys and said display and containing said microprocessor;

a plurality of switches within said housing;

a keypad within said housing comprising an array of keys projecting through the openings in the front face of said housing, each interacting with one corresponding switch;

the array of keys including:

a plurality of alphanumeric keys that operate in an alphanumeric mode; ~~at least one alphanumeric key;~~

a navigation scheme having at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key configured to navigate through a plurality of menus in a navigation mode; and

at least one illumination source proximate to the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key, the at least one illumination

source configured to distinguish between the alphanumeric mode and the navigation scheme by illuminating ~~illuminate based on~~ the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key being in the ~~one of a~~ navigation mode ~~and an alphanumeric mode~~.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The mobile handset of claim 6 further comprising a toggle key for toggling between the alphanumeric and the navigation mode.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The mobile handset of claim 6 wherein the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key automatically toggles between the alphanumeric and the navigation mode based upon data input during user interface.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The mobile handset of claim 6 wherein the at least one integral navigation and alphanumeric key further includes indicia thereon, the at least one illumination source comprising a backlighting panel illuminating the indicia.

Claim 10 (cancelled).

Claim 11 (original): The mobile handset of claim 6 additionally comprising means for sensing user input data so as to automatically toggle said combined navigation and alphanumeric keys into navigation control mode.

Claim 12 (original): The mobile handset of claim 6 additionally comprising means for sensing user input data so as to automatically toggle said combined navigation and alphanumeric keys into alphanumeric mode.

Claim 13 (original): The mobile handset of claim 6 additionally comprising means for automatically toggling said combined alphanumeric and navigation keys into alphanumeric mode when said menu displays options requiring alphanumeric mode input.

Claim 14 (original): The mobile handset of claim 6 additionally comprising a dual function key and associated switch for sending stored dialing information and entering user input when in alphanumeric mode and alternatively selecting menu options when in navigation control mode.

Claim 15 (original): The mobile handset of claim 6 additionally comprising a dual function key and associated switch for ending a telephone call when in alphanumeric mode and alternatively moving up in the menu hierarchy when in navigation control mode.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The mobile keypad of claim 4 wherein the at least one illumination source comprises:

a first illumination source proximate to the first integral navigation and alphanumeric key;

a second illumination source proximate to the second integral navigation and alphanumeric key;

a third illumination source proximate to the third integral navigation and alphanumeric key;

a fourth illumination source proximate to the fourth integral navigation and alphanumeric key.